

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Specification as follows:

Please add the following paragraph before line 4 of page 1 of the specification:

Priority Information

This application claims priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119 to Japanese Patent Application No. P2003-062823, filed March 10, 2003, and to Japanese Patent Application No. P2003-302803, filed on August 27, 2003. The entire teachings of the above applications are incorporated herein by reference.